

After filling out this form, bring it to the clerk of the court. If you want to keep an address or telephone number confidential, fill out form JV-322, Confidential Information—Prospective Adoptive Parent, and do not write the address or phone number on this form.

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Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of

Fill in child's name and date of birth:

Child's Name:

Date of Birth:

Clerk fills in case number when form is filed.

Case Number:

- ① Information about the person or persons you want to be designated as prospective adoptive parents:
- a. Name: _____
- b. Name: _____
- c. Address: _____
- d. Phone number: _____
- ② If you are not a person in ①, fill out below.
- a. My name: _____
- b. I am the ☐ child ☐ child's attorney ☐ other
(specify role): _____
- c. My address: _____
- d. My phone number: _____
- ③ If you are not the child's attorney and you know who the child's attorney is, fill out below.
- a. Name of child's attorney's : _____
- b. Phone number of child's attorney: _____
- c. Address of child's attorney: _____
- ④ ☐ The child is 10 years of age or older. Child's phone number: _____
or ☐ Telephone number is confidential
- ⑤ The child lived with the person from (date): _____ to (date): _____
and from (date): _____ to the present.
In order for the person in ① to become a prospective adoptive parent, the child must be living with that person now.
- ⑥ Date of Welfare and Institutions Code section 366.26 hearing: _____
If a Welfare and Institutions Code section 366.26 hearing has not been set, it is too early to fill out this form. The person in ① must wait until the section 366.26 hearing is scheduled and parental rights are terminated to be designated as a prospective adoptive parent.
- ⑦ ☐ The person in ① is committed to adopting the child.

Child's name: _____

- 8** The person in **1** has (*check all that apply*):
- a. ☐ Applied for an adoptive home study
 - b. ☐ Cooperated with an adoptive home study
 - c. ☐ Signed an adoptive placement agreement
 - d. ☐ Requested de facto parent status
 - e. ☐ Been designated by the juvenile court or the licensed adoption agency as the adoptive family
 - f. ☐ Discussed a postadoption contact agreement with the social worker, child's attorney, child's Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) volunteer, adoption agency, or court
 - g. ☐ Worked to overcome any impediments that have been identified by the California Department of Social Services or the licensed adoption agency
 - h. ☐ Attended any of the classes required of prospective adoptive parents
 - i. ☐ Taken other steps toward adopting the child (*explain*): _____

If you need more space, attach a sheet of paper and write "JV-321, Item 8—Steps Toward Adoption" at the top. Number of pages attached:_____

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information in items 1 through 8 is true and correct, which means if I lie on this form, I am committing a crime.

Date: _____

Type or print your name

Sign your name

Sign your name

Type or print your name

Child's name: _____

Case Number: _____

NOTICE

10 Notice of the request for "prospective adoptive parent" designation was given to:

a. ☐ The adoption agency (*name of agency employee notified*): _____

(1) ☐ Orally, in person, on (*date*): _____
at (*time*): _____

(2) ☐ Orally, by telephone, on (*date*): _____
at (*time*): _____
Phone number: _____

(3) ☐ By personally delivering copies to the person served on
(*date*): _____ at (*time*): _____

(4) ☐ By placing copies in a sealed envelope and depositing the
envelope ☐ directly in the U.S. mail with postage paid
☐ at my place of business for same-day collection and
mailing with the U.S. mail, following our ordinary business
practice addressed as follows: _____

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b. ☐ The caregiver (*name*): _____

(1) ☐ Orally, in person, on (*date*): _____ at (*time*): _____

(2) ☐ Orally, by telephone, on (*date*): _____ at (*time*): _____
Phone number: _____ or ☐ Confidential phone number in court file

(3) ☐ By personally delivering copies to the person served on (*date*): _____ at (*time*): _____

(4) ☐ by placing copies in a sealed envelope and depositing the envelope ☐ directly in the U.S. mail
with postage paid ☐ at my place of business for same-day collection and mailing with the U.S.
mail, following our ordinary business practice addressed as follows: _____

or ☐ Confidential address in court file

c. ☐ The child's attorney (*name*): _____

(1) ☐ Orally, in person, on (*date*): _____ at (*time*): _____

(2) ☐ Orally, by telephone, on (*date*): _____ at (*time*): _____
Phone number: _____

(3) ☐ By personally delivering copies to the person served on (*date*): _____ at (*time*): _____

Child's name: _____

- (4) ☐ By placing copies in a sealed envelope and depositing the envelope ☐ directly in the U.S. mail with postage paid ☐ at my place of business for same-day collection and mailing with the U.S. mail, following our ordinary business practice addressed as follows: _____

d. ☐ The child, if 10 years of age or older (*name*): _____

- (1) ☐ Orally, in person, on (*date*): _____ at (*time*): _____
- (2) ☐ Orally, by telephone, on (*date*): _____ at (*time*): _____
Phone number: _____ or ☐ Confidential phone number in court file
- (3) ☐ By personally delivering copies to the person served on (*date*): _____ at (*time*): _____
- (4) ☐ By placing copies in a sealed envelope and depositing the envelope ☐ directly in the U.S. mail with postage paid ☐ at my place of business for same-day collection and mailing with the U.S. mail, following our ordinary business practice addressed as follows: _____

or ☐ Confidential address in court file

e. ☐ The child's identified Indian tribe, if any (*name of tribe and person notified*): _____

- (1) ☐ Orally, in person, on (*date*): _____ at (*time*): _____
- (2) ☐ Orally, by telephone, on (*date*): _____ at (*time*): _____
Phone number: _____ or ☐ Confidential phone number in court file
- (3) ☐ By personally delivering copies to the person served on (*date*): _____ at (*time*): _____
- (4) ☐ By placing copies in a sealed envelope and depositing the envelope ☐ directly in the U.S. mail with postage paid ☐ at my place of business for same-day collection and mailing with the U.S. mail, following our ordinary business practice addressed as follows: _____

f. ☐ The child's Indian custodian, if any (*name*): _____

- (1) ☐ Orally, in person, on (*date*): _____ at (*time*): _____
- (2) ☐ Orally, by telephone, on (*date*): _____ at (*time*): _____
Phone number: _____ or ☐ Confidential phone number in court file
- (3) ☐ By personally delivering copies to the person served on (*date*): _____ at (*time*): _____
- (4) ☐ By placing copies in a sealed envelope and depositing the envelope ☐ directly in the U.S. mail with postage paid ☐ at my place of business for same-day collection and mailing with the U.S. mail, following our ordinary business practice addressed as follows: _____

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g. ☐ The child's Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) program, if any (*name of person notified*):

(1) ☐ Orally, in person, on (*date*): _____ at (*time*): _____

(2) ☐ Orally, by telephone, on (*date*): _____ at (*time*): _____

Phone number: _____

(3) ☐ By personally delivering copies to the person served on (*date*): _____ at (*time*): _____

(4) ☐ By placing copies in a sealed envelope and depositing the envelope ☐ directly in the U.S. mail with postage paid ☐ at my place of business for same-day collection and mailing with the U.S. mail, following our ordinary business practice addressed as follows: _____

11 At the time of notice I was at least 18 years of age and not a party to this matter. I work or am employed in the county where the mailing occurred. My residence or business address is (*specify*): _____

12 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information in items 10 and 11 is true and correct, which means if I lie on this form I am committing a crime.

Date: _____

Type or print your name



Sign your name

Child's name: _____

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13 This order was made:

- a. ☐ On the court's own motion
- b. ☐ At the request of
(name): _____
(relationship to the child): _____
- c. ☐ The request was made:
(1) ☐ Orally at the hearing held on (date): _____
(2) ☐ In writing by filing form JV-321, *Request for Prospective Adoptive Parent Designation*, on (date): _____

The court finds and orders:

- 14 ☐ The child's current caregiver or caregivers
(name): _____
(name): _____
☐ is ☐ are designated as the child's prospective adoptive parent or parents because:
a. The child has lived with the caregiver for at least six months
b. The caregiver currently expresses a commitment to adopting the child *and*
c. The caregiver has taken at least one step to facilitate the adoption

- 15 ☐ The child's current caregiver or caregivers
(name): _____
(name): _____
☐ does ☐ do not qualify as the prospective adoptive parent or parents of the child, and the request for designation as the prospective adoptive parent or parents is denied, because:
a. ☐ The child has not lived with the caregiver for at least six months
b. ☐ The caregiver does not currently express a commitment to adopting the child
c. ☐ The caregiver has not taken any steps to facilitate the adoption
d. ☐ Other (explain): _____

- 16 ☐ The court thinks that the request for designation as a prospective adoptive parent will be contested or wants more evidence on the request, and orders a hearing on the request.
The hearing will be on (date): _____ at (time): _____ ☐ a.m. ☐ p.m.
in department _____ of the superior court located at: _____

Date: _____



Judge (or Judicial Officer)